

# LOS OSOS WASTEWATER PROJECT TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

San Luis Obispo County Department of Public Works



**Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, September 10, 2007**

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- 1) Call to Order/ Roll Call: approximately 7:12 pm, Chairman Garfinkel calls meeting to order. Absent: Rob Miller and John Fouche.
- 2) Agenda Item 1, Approval of Minutes from meeting on August 28, 2007 Meeting. No public comment requests. **John Brady motions to accept minutes as amended, Jim Furman second. Motion carries.**
- 3) Agenda Item 2, TAC Pro/Con Analysis on Sample Projects: Opening comments by Chairman Garfinkel. Announces the resignation of George Call. Discusses the Proposition 218 ballots received by property owners, explanation of assessment amount on Proposition 218 ballots, sample projects, total project cost estimates, Community Workshop on September 29<sup>th</sup> and Sunnyside School, meeting process, and public comment process (**attached**).

Advisory committee discusses and edits the Draft Pro/Con Analysis Report on Sample Projects (**attached**). Discussion of wording in pro/con report, edits submitted by John Brady (**attached**), impacts on out of town property owners, County's financial model, energy consumption estimates, horizontal boring, possible archeological impacts, volume of soil excavated with the STEP system, and issues with disposing of possible contaminated soil near existing septic tanks.

Public comment on Agenda Item 2:

Keith Wimer: Discusses infiltration and inflow, exfiltration, wording in pro/con report, on-lot impacts, and risks of the gravity system.

Frank Ausilio: Discusses impacts on out of town property owners, future septic system regulations from the EPA, and flexibility in project.

Dave Duggan: Discusses written comments from John Brady, on-lot impacts, dewatering, prevailing winds out of town, and pond system cost estimates.

Anne Norment: Discusses possible archeological impacts, risks of a gravity collection system, wording in pro/con report, and population density out of town.

Richard Margetson: Discusses future expansion, pros and cons of the Tri-W project, and Tri-W site proximity to community amenities.

Project website: [www.slocounty.ca.gov/PW/LOWWP](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/PW/LOWWP)

Project email address: [LOWWP@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:LOWWP@co.slo.ca.us)

Alon Perlman: Discusses meeting process, wording in pro/con report, and bio-solid handling with a STEP collection system.

Bruce Payne: Discusses sustainable groundwater source, dewatering, and size of equipment needed to construct collection systems.

Linde Owne: Discusses possible archeological impacts, road impacts with the STEP system, energy estimates, pond systems, and Broderson disposal site.

Gewynn Taylor: Discusses pipe in gravity system, soil composition, and bio-solids handling.

Response to public comment: Discussion of infiltration and inflow, pressurized collection systems, maintenance of the collection system, wording suggestions during public comment, risk of system or equipment failure, disposal for Tri-W project, future expansion, future septic system regulations from the EPA, Tri-W site proximity to community amenities, dewatering issues, impacts on out of town property owners, and groundwater sustainability.

Advisory committee discusses format of report, financial cost estimates, use of bar charts in report, distributing report to the community, topics of discussion for next week.

#### Public Comment

Keith Wimer: Discusses information in report and EPA guidelines for infiltration, inflow, and exfiltration.

Frank Ausilio: Discusses population density out of town, distributing the cost of the project, Proposition 218 and out of town properties hooking into system.

Dave Duggin: Discusses laterals and TAC progress.

Bruce Payne: Discusses Proposition 218, project cost estimates, and disposing old septic tanks.

Linde Owen: Discusses project process, component cost estimates, bar charts in pro/con report, and installing the STEP system.

Richard Margetson: Discusses wording in pro/con report, financial model, and presentation of monthly cost estimates for mobile homes and apartments.

Al Barrow: Submits a letter (**attached**). Discusses infiltration and inflow, STEP system, potential risks of a gravity collection system, and Proposition 218.

Advisory committee discusses having a revised document at next meeting and planning TAC participation in September 29<sup>th</sup> Community Workshop at the next meeting.

- 4) Date of next advisory committee meeting: Tuesday, September 18, 2007 at 7:00 pm in Los Osos at the South Bay Community Center.
- 5) Meeting adjourns at approximately 10:35 pm.